AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following list of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

1-17. (Canceled).

18. (Currently Amended) A method of applying a cosmetic product to a surface, the method comprising:

increasing temperature of a cosmetic product arranged on or in a carrier selected from wipes and patches, the carrier being capable of being applied to a surface, and the temperature of the cosmetic product being increased via an energy source external to the carrier; and

applying the product to the surface,

wherein the carrier comprises two opposite non-occlusive application surfaces allowing at least part of the cosmetic product arranged on or in the carrier to pass through said carrier.

19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the product comprises a skin care product or a hair care product.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the increasing temperature comprises increasing the temperature of the cosmetic product via microwave radiation.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the increase in the temperature of the cosmetic product enables activation of at least one constituent of the cosmetic product.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the increase in the temperature of the cosmetic product initiates or promotes activity of at least one constituent of the cosmetic product.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the increase in the temperature of the cosmetic product promotes release of the at least one constituent to the surface.

24. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the increase in the temperature of the cosmetic product enables liquefaction of the product.

25. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the carrier is in the form of at least one layer.

26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the carrier is made of a material comprising at least one of: cellulose, foam, woven material, felt, non-woven material, and plastic material.

27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the carrier is immersed in a liquid before being heated.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 27, wherein the liquid comprises water.

29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the increasing comprises increasing the temperature of the cosmetic product to a temperature between 25 °C and 100 °C.

30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29, wherein the increasing comprises increasing the temperature of the cosmetic product to a temperature between 30 °C and 55 °C.

31. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20, wherein the cosmetic product is exposed to the microwave radiation for a time period between 1 second and 150 seconds.

32. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 31, wherein the cosmetic product is exposed to the microwave radiation for a time period between 2 seconds and 60 seconds.

33. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 32, wherein the cosmetic product is exposed to the microwave radiation for a time period between 3 seconds and 25 seconds.

34. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the carrier is on a grid above or inside the container, wherein the container contains a liquid vaporizable at a heating temperature.

35. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 34, wherein the height of the grid is adjustable relative to the level of liquid in the container.

36. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 34, further comprising a lid arranged above the grid, wherein the lid and the container define a substantially closed volume around the carrier.

37. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the carrier includes a temperature indicator.

38. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 37, wherein the indicator is configured to change its appearance as a function of the temperature.

39. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 38, wherein the indicator is configured to change its color as a function of the temperature.

40. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 37, wherein the indicator is configured to change its material state at a predetermined temperature.

41. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 37, wherein the indicator comprises an ink or a label comprising a thermochromic pigment.

42. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 37, wherein the indicator is placed on at least part of a surface of the carrier.

43. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 41, wherein the indicator is placed on at least part of the surface of the carrier by printing.

44 - 54. (Cancelled)